



ILLINOIS RACING BOARD
MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING
DECEMBER 8, 2009

On Tuesday, December 8, 2009, a regular meeting of the Illinois Racing Board was held at 9:30 a.m. in room 9-040, 100 W. Randolph Street, Chicago, Illinois. The following Board members were present: Chairman Joseph Sinopoli, Commissioners Joseph Casciato (telephonic), W. Jack Chamblin, Angelo Ciambrone, William Farley, Jr. (telephonic), Jon Metcalf, Allan Monat, Michael Murphy, Paul Smith and Robert Winchester. Staff members Marc Laino, Shelley Kalita, Bob Lang and Mickey Ezzo were also present.

BOARD ITEMS

Commissioner Ciambrone moved to approve intertrack wagering licenses for 2010 to Arlington Park, Balmoral Park, Fairmount Park, Hawthorne Race Course, Maywood Park and Quad City Downs. Commissioner Casciato seconded the motion. The Board approved the motion unanimously by voice vote.

Commissioner Chamblin moved to approve intertrack wagering location (OTB) licenses for 2010 to Arlington Park (Waukegan, Hodgkins, Villa Park and Weed Street), Balmoral Park (Champaign, Normal, Corliss and Buffalo Grove), Fairmount Park (Alton, Sauget and Springfield), Hawthorne Race Course (Elk Grove Village, Oak Brook, LaSalle Street, Peru Crestwood and Joliet), Maywood Park (Aurora, Niles, Mokena and North Aurora) and Quad City Downs (Rockford, McHenry, South Elgin, South Beloit and Lockport). Commissioner Smith seconded the motion. The Board approved the motion unanimously by voice vote. Jim Stumpf appeared on behalf of Arlington Park.

Commissioner Murphy moved to approve 26 concessionaire licenses for 2010. Commissioner Monat seconded the motion. The Board approved the motion unanimously by voice vote. Tim Carey and John Johnston appeared on behalf of Inter Track Partners.

Chairman Sinopoli moved to certify the pari-mutuel tax credit authorized under Section 32.1 of the Act. Commissioner Murphy seconded the motion. The Board approved the motion unanimously by voice vote.

Arlington Park - \$2,450,743.82	Fairmount Park - \$77,912.28
Balmoral Park - \$126,114.53	Hawthorne Race Course - \$696,164.78
Maywood Park - \$281,334.46	

Commissioner Ciambrone moved to adopt a Board meeting schedule for 2010. Chairman Sinopoli seconded the motion. The Board approved the motion unanimously by voice vote.

ORGANIZATION LICENSEE REQUESTS

Commissioner Chamblin moved to approve a request submitted by Hawthorne Race Course for approval of its 2010 spring stakes schedule. Commissioner Metcalf seconded the motion. The Board approved the

motion by a 9-1 vote. Commissioner Ciambone opposed the motion. Tim Carey and Jim Miller appeared on behalf of Hawthorne Race Course.

Commissioner Smith moved to approve a request submitted by Hawthorne Race Course for approval of racing officials for 2010. Commissioner Winchester seconded the motion. The Board approved the motion unanimously by voice vote.

Commissioner Smith moved to approve a request submitted by Balmoral Park for approval of racing officials for 2010. Commissioner Winchester seconded the motion. The Board approved the motion unanimously by voice vote.

Commissioner Ciambone moved to approve a request submitted by Maywood Park for approval of racing officials for 2010. Commissioner Smith seconded the motion. The Board approved the motion unanimously by voice vote.

Chairman Sinopoli moved to approve and amend the request submitted by Fairmount Park regarding the 2010 Dates Order. Commissioner Ciambone seconded the motion. The Board approved the motion unanimously by voice vote. Paragraph 22 of the Dates Order shall state, "Fairmount Park shall vacate all of its 2010 dates except three, April 27, April 30 and May 1, 2010, if either of the following two conditions are not met: 1) the pari-mutuel tax at Fairmount Park wagering facilities is increased from .25% to no less than .75% by law by action of both chambers of the Illinois General Assembly no later than June 15, 2010, and that the effective date of such legislation shall be July 1, 2010, or the day that such legislation is signed into law by the Governor; and 2) an agreement is reached between IRB employees and management by January 5, 2010 to an overall work schedule at Fairmount Park that includes no more than seventy-five (75) work days for any Board employee at Fairmount Park."

ADMINISTRATIVE HEARINGS

In the matter of Michael Oosting, 2008H20, Commissioner Murphy moved to uphold the stewards ruling, a \$2,000 fine and 60 day suspension. The horse Claudius Q finished first in the 3rd race at Balmoral Park on October 8, 2008, but was disqualified for violating the Total Carbon Dioxide rule. Chairman Sinopoli seconded the motion. The Board approved the motion unanimously by a vote of 10-0..

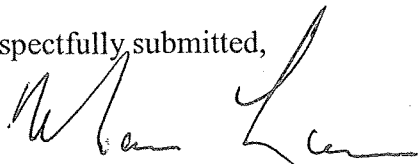
APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Chairman Sinopoli moved to approve the minutes of its regular meeting on November 10, 2009. Commissioner Smith seconded the motion. The Board approved the motion unanimously by voice vote.

ADJOURNMENT

At 11:10 a.m., Commissioner Monat motioned for adjournment and Commissioner Metcalf seconded the motion. The Board approved the motion unanimously by voice vote.

Respectfully submitted,



Marc Laino
Executive Director